

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration of this application is requested. Claims 1-3 and 5-13 remain in the application, with claims 1, 3, 5, 6, 7 and 8 having been amended. Claim 1 has been amended to include the element of claim 4. Claim 3 has been rewritten in independent form. Claims 5, 6, 7 and 8 have been editorially amended to refer to the antenna assembly of the parent claim(s), rather than an antenna structure. Claim 4 has been canceled.

In Section 2 of the Detailed Action portion of the Office Action, claims 1, 2, 5, 6, and 9-13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Aisenbrey (US 2002/0109634 A1) in view of Sanz (US 2004/0262453 A1).

In Section 3 of the Detailed Action portion of the Office Action, claims 3, 4, 7 and 8 have been objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

The rejection of claims 1, 2, 5, 6, and 9-13 is traversed through the amendment of claims 1 and 3. Claim 1 has been amended to include the conductive gasket positioned adjacent to the perimeter of the antenna element, electrically bonding the antenna to an aircraft fuselage and providing a pressure seal, of objected to claim 4. Claim 3 has been rewritten in independent form to include the base claim and the intervening claim. All other claims depend from either amended claim 1 or amended claim 3.

All claims in the application are believed to be in allowable form. Allowance of the application is requested.

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